

Admin Notes

4/11/24

Dear families,

After vacation, the pace picks up with many things happening at GMS. First on our list is the Maine Through Year (MTY) assessment on Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26. As I am sure you know, Maine requires that students participate in the MTY twice annually. We will conduct the reading assessment on Thursday and math on Friday. You can help your middle schooler be ready for testing by ensuring a good nights sleep, a healthy breakfast, and encouragement to do their best on the test. It is also helpful for students to bring a healthy snack to eat during the testing breaks. Thank you for your help in setting the stage for our students' success.

As the spring goes on, keep your eyes peeled for updates of what's happening each week in the Admin Notes. It is a busy time of year! I hope you are able to enjoy the next week with your middle schoolers doing fun things. We look forward to seeing them back at school on Monday, April 22. In the meantime, enjoy the break! Sincerely,
Mar-E Trebilcock

Student Council

"Starry Night," the step-up dance for 6th and 7th grade students (ONLY), has been rescheduled for Friday, May 10, 2024, from 6:00-8:00 pm. The cost of admission is \$5.00, and there will be a concession stand with food and drinks available to dance goers. If you are interested in donating food or your time, please see the Sign-Up Genius attached below. ***Please note that, if you signed up for the original dance date, your name is still on the Sign-Up Genius. If you are not able to bring the food donation or volunteer your time for the new date, please remove your name from the Sign-Up so that someone else can fill the slot.*** As always, thank you for making the dances great for our students! If you have any questions, please reach out to Marsha Fitzpatrick at mfitzpatrick@msad51.org.

DII Honors Jazz Festival Parent Info

April 24 & 25th

Dear Parents,

Here are some details about the upcoming DII Honors Jazz Festival.

Wednesday, 4/24, MS Honors Band will rehearse at Falmouth Middle School from 4:30-7:30PM. Dinner will not be served, so students should eat prior or bring plenty of snacks. There will be a bus to Falmouth Middle School and back to Greely. We will leave at 3:45 and be back to GMS at 8:00PM. But, if you prefer to drop off and pick up yourself, please let me know in advance in order for me to know how many students will be on the bus.

Thursday, 4/25, is a full day of rehearsing with an evening concert at **Fryeburg Academy at 7:00PM**. Students will need to bring their own lunch, but dinner will be provided by Fryeburg Academy. **Students need to be at GMS by 7:15AM to catch the bus to Fryeburg.**

Dress: Collared Shirt and tie, dress pants, shoes and dark socks -OR- Dress Shirt/Top, dress pants, skirt or dress, cut below the knees. Avoid: denim pants, ripped pants, t-shirts, logos and sneakers.

Please take note, Thursday is in Fryeburg, not Falmouth. If you have any questions, please reach out.

Best,

Barry Saunders

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I am offering to hold an optional DII jazz practice during vacation week, Wednesday, 4/17 from 10:00-11:30AM at GMS. If any of your children are interested please let me know so I know who/what to expect.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoC4AAEAD29A2FC1-48468703-gms6th7th#/>

Special Olympics News

Congrats to our Olympians who competed in Cape Elizabeth. Congrats Elle, Beau, Royce, Ayla, Isaiah, and Avery. We took home 3 first place, 2 second place, and 4 first place.













Modern Language News

Dear Families,

As we approach the upcoming break, the Spanish department wanted to update you on the exciting happenings at school as we continue our Wooly Week celebration.

Our Wooly Week festivities kicked off this week and will continue until Wednesday, April 24th. It's been wonderful to see the creativity and enthusiasm our students have brought to this themed event.

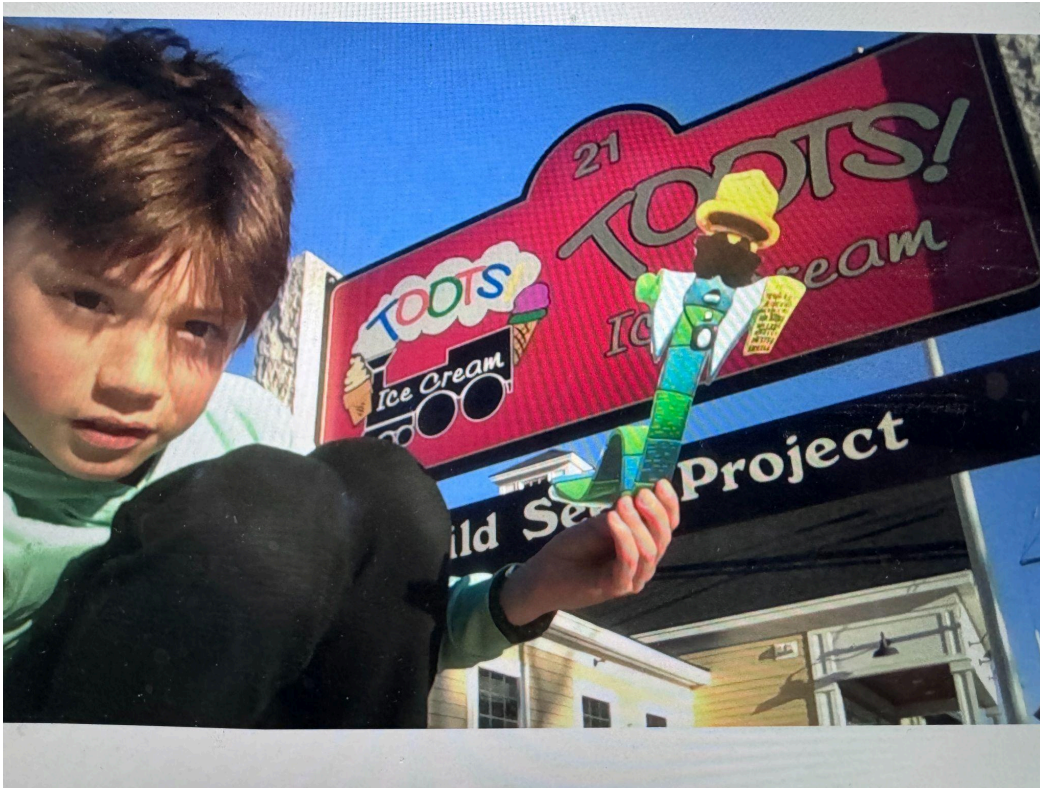
During Wooly Week, students have the opportunity to participate in fun and creative activities centered around all things Wooly. They can choose to dress up as their favorite Wooly characters, take photos with flat Billy, bring in Wooly-themed confections to share with their classmates, act out a story, perform a song and much more.

We encourage you to join in the fun by helping your child prepare for their chosen activity, or ask them to share a favorite song! Please see a few recent photos from Wooly Week so far.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

GMS Spanish Teachers





Our LOST & FOUND items are overflowing at GMS!!!

Tables and racks will be in the front lobby until Friday, April 26.

Parents and students are encouraged to stop by and take items home that belong to them.

Items will be donated to a local Maine charity after April 26th.









